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Age of separated employee at birthday before death	Multiplier
59	.7675 .8374 .9146

With at least 20, but less than 30 years of creditable service—

36	0.1483
37	.1598
38	.1709
39	.1858
40	.2000
41	21.59
42	.2325
43	.2514
44	.2708
45	.2922
46	.3160
47	.3424
48	.3697
49	.4007
50	.4335
51	.4701
52	.5093
53	.5532
54	.6010
55	.6532
56	.7104
57	.7722
58	.8411
59	.9167

Ago of congreted	Multiplier by separated employee's year of birth			
Age of separated employee at birthday before death	After 1966	From 1950 through 1966	Before 1950	
With at least 30 years of creditable service—				
46	0.4109	0.4476	0.4870	
47	.4449	.4843	.5268	
48	.4805	.5232	.5691	
49	.5204	.5666	.6161	
50	.5630	.6130	.6666	
51	.6102	.6642	.7222	
52	.6610	.7195	.7823	
53	.7175	.7807	.8487	
54	.7790	.8474	.9210	
55	.8461	.9203	1.0000	
56	.9195	1.0000	1.0000	

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# Subpart D—Child Annuities

## §843.401 Purpose.

This subpart explains the survivor benefits payable under FERS to children based on the deaths of employees and retirees.

### §843.402 Eligibility requirements.

A surviving child of an employee or retiree who dies after completing 18 months of civilian service creditable

under FERS is entitled to an annuity under this subpart.

#### §843.403 Proof of parentage.

- (a) A judicial determination of parentage conclusively establishes the paternity of a child.
- (b) Except as provided in paragraph (a) of this section, a child born to the wife of a married person is presumed to be the child of the wife's husband. This presumption may be rebutted only by clear and convincing evidence that the husband is not the father of the child.
- (c) When paternity is not established under paragraph (a) or (b) of this section, paternity is determined by a preponderance of the credible evidence as defined in §1201.56(c)(2) of this title.

#### §843.404 Proof of adoption.

- (a) An adopted child is-
- (1) A child adopted by the employee or retiree before the death of the employee or retiree; or
- (2) A child who lived with the employee or retiree and for whom a petition for adoption was filed by the employee or retiree and who is adopted by the current spouse of the employee or retiree after the death of the employee or retiree.
- (b) The only acceptable evidence to prove status as an adopted child under paragraph (a)(1) of this section is a copy of the judicial decree of adoption.
- (c) The only acceptable evidence to prove status as an adopted child under paragraph (a)(2) of this section is copies of—
- (1) The petition for adoption (clearly showing the date filed); and
  - (2) The judicial decree of adoption.

## §843.405 Dependency.

To be eligible for survivor annuity benefits, a child must have been dependent on the employee or retiree at the time of the employee's or retiree's death.

## §843.406 Proof of dependency.

- (a) A child is considered to have been dependent on the deceased employee or retiree if he or she is—
  - (1) A legitimate child; or
  - (2) An adopted child; or
- (3) A stepchild or recognized natural child who lived with the employee or